

Docket No.: F-9680



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

Naoki Soeda

Serial No.: 09/502,454

Group Art Unit: 2652

Filed: February 11, 2000

Examiner: Chen, Tianjie

For: MAGNETIC DISK APPARATUS WITH SEPARATE PRINTED-CIRCUIT BOARDS

Honorable Commissioner of Patents
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

**PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME
UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a)**

Sir:

Applicant hereby petitions for a two-month extension of time to respond to the Office Action mailed November 2, 2004. A Request for Continued Examination is being filed simultaneously herewith. The extension fee in the amount of \$450.00 is included in the total fee for filing the Request for Continued Examination for the above-identified application, a check for which accompanies this submission. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any deficiencies in fees and credit any overpayment of fees to Attorney's Deposit Account No. 50-0481.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "J. E. Howard".

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